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CENTER FOR EAST ASIAN STUDIES

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We are pleased to announce that the University of Chicago Center for East Asian Studies (CEAS) has been awarded over \$2.1 million from the U.S. Department of Education for the period of 2018 to 2022.

CEAS is a recipient of grants from Title VI of the Higher Education Act, International Education Programs, and has been designated a *National Resource Center* (NRC) and will administer *Foreign Language and Area Studies* (FLAS) Fellowships to support the advanced study of modern, less commonly taught languages (Chinese, Japanese and Korean) and international and area studies related to East Asia.

This funding will support a variety of activities on campus, as well as K-16 outreach initiatives, including professional development opportunities for educators and promotion of global, co-curricular activities with local schools, community colleges, and minority-serving institutions. CEAS looks forward to continuing and enhancing its efforts to promote teaching, research, interdisciplinary scholarship, and greater public understanding of East Asia.

During the 2018-2022 cycle, CEAS aims to meet Title VI and FLAS objectives in the following ways:

- Support ***language instruction*** from beginner to advanced language levels in Chinese, Japanese, and Korean. Work with the Chicago Language Center to support co-curricular activities and investment in ***pedagogy, oral proficiency testing training, assessment and curriculum design, and professional development for language instructors***. Support the *Language Across the Curriculum Program* to integrate advanced East Asian language instruction into disciplinary training in the Humanities and Social Sciences.
- Support ***interdisciplinary research through conferences, symposia, lectures, and workshops***. Such programs will include public lectures by prominent scholars, graduate student-led symposia, and workshops that aim to promote the development of new skills, methods, and forms of knowledge. Planned topics include:
 - ***East Asian Translation Across the Disciplines***: CEAS will support faculty-led workshops and publication projects to train advanced graduate students in translation techniques across disciplines.
 - ***Digital Humanities Methods for Japanese and Chinese Studies***: CEAS will support workshops and symposia that promote proficiency and understanding of digital methods.
 - ***Science and Technology Studies and East Asia***: CEAS will support a series of workshops that bring together scholars from East Asia, Europe and North America to explore issues such as biotechnology, infrastructure, and the intersection between political economies, life sciences, and information sciences.
 - ***East Asia and the Silk Roads***: CEAS will support a joint NRC collaboration with the Center for Middle Eastern Studies and the Center for East European and Russian/Eurasian Studies for lectures and workshops on historical and contemporary concepts of “Silk Roads” impacting economic, cultural, religious, political and social interactions across centuries.

- Support the expansion of the world-class University's East Asian Collection through ***funding for acquisitions***, including new digital resources.
- Support the ***acquisition and development of media and digital resources*** to enhance the study of China, Japan, and Korea. This initiative includes the digitization of archival material, curation of metadata related to this material, and the application and development of tools for computational analysis of digitized texts.
- Work with the Chicago Teaching Center and the Chicago Language Center to promote the ***pedagogical training*** of the next generation of East Asian specialists to enable them to become effective educators of students at every level.
- Enhance ***professionalization and career programming*** in diverse areas of national need.
- Build on CEAS's successful ***outreach program to K-16 students and educators*** through the following programs:
 - In collaboration with other Title VI centers on campus, CEAS will continue to develop ***day-long workshops/conferences and two-day Institutes for Educators for K-16 teachers*** to enhance knowledge and understanding of national and international issues involving East Asia.
 - CEAS will expand upon its successful ***collaboration with the City Colleges of Chicago*** by continuing to contribute to professional and course development to enhance the internationalization of the curriculum.
 - CEAS will expand on its commitment to ***arts, film, and culture programming*** through new collaborations with on-campus arts institutions including the Smart Museum, Logan Center, UChicago Presents new global music series, Doc Films, and Court Theatre. Special workshops and school visits organized in collaboration with these institutions will bring East Asian music, film and art to diverse and under-served audiences in Chicago.

For more information and to learn about upcoming events and opportunities, please visit <http://ceas.uchicago.edu> or contact eastasia@uchicago.edu.